

# Music

## Curriculum

The Oklahoma State University Department of Music offers undergraduate majors in Music Education, Music Performance, Music Business, and a Bachelor of Arts in Music. Students may also elect to complete a minor in Music. The music faculty includes specialists in string, wind, keyboard, voice and percussion performance, as well as in conducting, music theory, and music history.

## Music majors develop the following skills:

- Time management
- Responsibility
- Ability to collaborate and work effectively with others
- Multitasking
- Leadership skills
- Research/ Analytical skills
- Communication/ Interpersonal skills
- Ability to perceive the world from multiple view points

## Job and Internship Websites

- Media Bistro  
<http://www.mediabistro.com/>
- New York Foundation for the Arts  
<http://www.nyfa.org/>
- Entertainment Careers  
<http://www.entertainmentcareers.net/>
- Oklahoma Arts Council  
<http://www.arts.ok.gov/>
- Music Jobs  
<http://us.music-jobs.com/>
- My Music Job  
<http://www.mymusicjob.com/>
- Higher Ed Jobs  
<http://www.higheredjobs.com>
- Warner Music Group  
<http://www.wmg.com/joboverview>
- Universal Music Group  
<http://www.universalmusic.com>
- Music Library Association  
<http://www.musiclibraryassoc.org/>
- American Federation of Musicians  
<http://www.afm.org/>
- National Association for Music Educators  
<http://www.nafme.org/>
- Musicians Page  
<http://www.musicianspage.com/>
- Chicago Artists Resource  
<http://www.chicagoartistsresource.org/jobs>
- Complete Music Update  
<http://www.completemusicupdate.com/jobs/>

## Get Involved

American Choral Directors Association  
Collegiate Music Educators  
Kappa Kappa Psi (Band)  
Music Student Advisory Council  
Opera Performance Educational Resource Association  
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia  
Sigma Alpha Iota  
Tau Beta Sigma (Band)

For a complete list of student clubs and organizations visit campuslink at:  
<https://campuslink.okstate.edu>

## College of Arts & Sciences Career Services

213 Life Science East  
Tel: 405 744 5658

For appointments and resources:  
<http://cascareers.okstate.edu>

# Music Career Paths...

## **Conducting:**

Employers in this area are looking for music graduates with artistic vision and strong leadership skills:

- Civic Symphony
- Youth Symphony
- Choral Conducting
- Music Director of Opera or Ballet Company
- Staff Music Director in Radio/Television
- Music Director of Church

## **Teaching:**

Teaching requires certification or advanced degrees.

## **Primary/Secondary Education**

- Elementary Music Specialist
- String Specialist
- Wind Specialist
- Band Director
- Choral Director
- Orchestra Director

## **College/University Level**

- Applied Music
- Music Theory
- Musicology
- Music Education
- Methods Teacher
- Band, Orchestra or Choral Conductor
- Head of Music Department or Music School

## **Private Instruction**

- Conservatory or Music School
- Store-Studio Teaching
- Part-Time Teaching
- Group Teaching

## **Commercial / Advertising Industry:**

Opportunities are available in the commercial industry: Performance

- Commercial Vocalist
- Symphony/Commercial Instrumentalist
- Accompanist
- Popular Music Performer
- Show Business Performer

## **Film/Television/Radio**

- Music Promoter
- Media Marketing
- Composer-Arranger
- Educational / Documentary Film Composer
- Music Commentator

## **Related Careers:**

Careers listed below may need additional study or certification in areas such as medicine, psychology, management or technical training.

- Music Therapist
- Concert Hall Manager
- Symphony Manager
- Music Critic
- Instrument Repair Person
- Piano Tuner/Technician
- Music Librarian
- Recording Industry Technician
- Music Career in the US Armed forces

## **Start your own business!**

Various business opportunities exist for music majors:

- Retail Music Store Manager
- Music Salesperson
- Music Publisher
- Music Instrument Manufacturer
- Artist/Arts Management
- Record Producer

There are several minors or double major options in the College of Business to help students learn business skills:

Entrepreneurship	Marketing
Management	Finance

## **Music Scholarships**

Music scholarship awards recognize your musical achievement and potential; they are determined by the Music Faculty primarily on the basis of your entrance audition. Music scholarships range in amount from small grants to the prestigious Presser Foundation Scholarship (\$4000 a year) and most awards are continued from year to year for students making satisfactory progress. Music Scholarships are available both to music majors and to non-music majors who participate in ensembles. Music scholarships may be added to whatever academic scholarship you might already have received, but it is not necessary to hold an academic scholarship to win a music scholarship.

For more details visit:

<https://music.okstate.edu/admissions/scholarships>